Recovery into DPEA

1628. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY:

SHRI YELLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the press note of the 8th March, 1990 resolve of Government to recover the amount due into the Drugs Prices Equalisation Account have been expressed;

(b) whether it is a fact that for the past four years bureaucrats took full advantage of the situation for personal benefits rather than recovery and issuance of notices;

(c) what are the names of drug companies in whose favour the amounts due have been finalised and what is the amount recovered from each uptill 12th March, 1990;

(d) whether it is a fact that number of companies even refused to provide details as asked for if so, what are the names of those companies and the action taken in each case; and

(e) whether it is also a fact that records have been tempered, if so, what are the details thereof and action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS ((SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (e) Some amount has been recovered from the companies as per details given below:

S. No.	Name of the Company	Rs. in lakhs
1	M/s. Hoechst (I) Ltd.	312.10
2	M/s. Cyanemid (I) Ltd.	100.00
3	M/s. John Wyath (I) Ltd.	45.00
4	M/s. Pfizer Ltd.	19.90
5	M/s. Franco (I) Pvt Ltd.	1.43
6	M/s. Ethnor (I) Ltd.	8.00
7	M/s. Glaxo (I) Ltd.	8.19

A Special Team had earlier assessed some tentative amount against the first six companies. The entire findings of the Special Team and subsequent developments are being looked into afresh in all these cases.

(d) No, Sir. Some companies have expressed some reservations but the matter relating to getting details is being constantly pursued.

Revision of prices of Dexamethasone

1629. CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry revised the prices of finished medicines based on Dexamethasone and its salts on the 26th July, 1989;

(b) if so, what were the revised prices of each pack, strength of each formulation;

(c) when were these prices implemented by the companies and what are the present prices being charged;

(d) what was the production of each formulation of leader and follower brand